CONCORDIA

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Stingers

Stingers take Game 1 of QSSF final, Laval at Loyola Wednesday

The Concordia Stingers men's basketball team defeated the No. 4-ranked Laval Rouge et Or 93-90 in overtime in Game 1 of the QSSF finals on Sunday in Ste. Foy, Que.

The win gives the Stingers a big advantage in the best of three series with Game 2 scheduled at home on the Loyola campus Wednesday at 7 p.m. A sellout crowd is expected with legions of Concordia supporters and Laval bringing a fan bus.

Fifth-year guard Gavin Musgrave was instrumental in helping the Stingers win Game 1. He chipped in 21 points and five rebounds. Also putting up big numbers were: point guard Philippe Langlois, 18 points; rookie forward Dilip Nayar, 17 points; and forward Patrick Perrotte with 16 points and 10 rebounds.

Concordia and Laval have played six times with the Stingers winning two games, including the playoff victory Sunday.

"There are no secrets when you've played each other six times," says Concordia head coach John Dore. "It's simply a test of wills.

"We were a very young team at the start of the year. We've continued to improve. We've stuck with our plan, and the results are an indication of our hard work."

Game 3 if necessary will be played Saturday at 2 p.m. back at Université Laval's PEPS gymnasium The winner of the conference advances to the CIS championship March 14-16 in Halifax.

Concordia wrestlers win two medals at nationals

Martine Dugrenier and Tyler Marghetis were medallists at the CIS wrestling championships held by Brock University in St. Catharines, Ont., last Friday and Saturday.

Dugrenier won a gold medal in the women's 70 kg. weight class and is a CIS All-Canadian. She dominated her category, winning her preliminary matches 5-0, 11-0 and 15-5. In the gold medal competition she defeated Megan Buydens from University of Saskatchewan 12-2.

Now, Dugrenier turns her attention to preparations for the Canadian championships in May. Last year she finished second in her weight class. The winners in May advance to the world championships which will be held in New York City in September.

The Laval, Que., resident is working on a graduate diploma in sports administration.

Marghetis, a 19-year-old rookie with the wrestling team, caps off a brilliant freshman year with a silver medal in the 76 kg. division. He also receives All-Canadian honors. At the nationals, he struggled in his first match, losing 5-3, then went on to win his next two preliminary contests 9-1 and 10-1. In the gold medal match, Marghetis lost 8-0 to Calgary's David Kooperberg.

The mathematics major comes to Concordia from the National Capital Wrestling Club in his hometown of Ottawa.

Three other members of the Concordia team competed at nationals: Tony Ronci, 65 kg., fifth; Jason Chen, 72 kg., seventh; and Elvin Dewarder, 57 kg., eighth.

The wrestlers are coached by Victor Zilberman, a member of the Concordia Sports Hall of Fame.

5 Stingers named to basketball honor roles

Four Concordia basketball players earned spots on the QSSF basketball all-star teams, which were announced last week.

On the men's side, Phil Langlois and Patrick Perrotte were named to the first all-star team. Langlois, a point guard, has had an exceptional sophomore campaign, earning respect for his leadership and his ability to control the game. He scores 10 points a game and leads the conference in assists with a 5.3 average. Perrotte, a rookie forward, leads the Stingers in scoring with 18 points a game and rebounding with 5.4 a game. Fifth-year guard Gavin Musgrave was a second team All-Canadian.

From the women's team, Pascale Morin was a first team all-star, while M.J. Raposo was named to the second team. Morin, a second-year guard, ranks at the top of the conference in scoring with 12.4 points a game. Raposo is the team's top rebounder with an average of 5.5 a game and second-leading scorer on the Stingers with 10.9 points a game.

Theriault named to OUA all-rookie hockey team

Patrice Theriault, a first-year defenceman from Dorval, Que., was named to the OUA men's hockey all-rookie team last week.

The commerce student comes to Concordia from the Victoriaville Tigres in the QMJHL, where he enjoyed a trip to the Memorial Cup in his final year. He's brought with him the same winning attitude, earning the admiration of head coach Kevin Figsby.

"Patrice has had an incredible first year in the OUA," says Figsby. "He plays power play, penalty kill and is on the ice in all crucial situations. He is also the leader among defenceman on the Stingers."

With five goals and 15 assists in 24 OUA games, Theriault was the top scorer among defencemen and ranked fourth overall in team scoring.

Concordia Athletes of the Week

Martine Dugrenier of the wrestling team and Philippe Langlois of the men's basketball team have been named Concordia Stinger athletes of the week for the period ending March 2.

Dugrenier won a second consecutive gold medal at the CIS women's wrestling championships last Saturday. She dominated her opponents winning four matches with ease, including the final which she won 12-2 over Megan Buydens of University of Saskatchewan. She was named a CIS All-Canadian. The Laval, Que., native is a graduate student in sports administration.

Langlois, a native of Varennes, Que., was instrumental in helping the Stingers win two big basketball games last week. The second-year point guard was Concordia's top scorer with 13 points in the sudden death QSSF semifinal versus Bishop's last Thursday. Then in Game 1 of the best-of-three finals versus Laval on Sunday, he had 18 points, five rebounds and four assists to lead Concordia to a 93-90 overtime victory. Langlois is a sociology major.

Coming Events

Wednesday, March 5

Men's Basketball

QSSF final - Game 2

Laval vs. Concordia 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 8
Men's Basketball

QSSF final - Game 3 (if necessary)
Concordia @ Laval 2 p.m.

Men's Basketball (8-7 in QSSF, 2-0 in playoffs, 15-12 overall)

OSSF semifinal

Concordia Stingers 76 Feb. 27

Bishop's Gaiters 61 Phil Langlois 13 points, 4 rebounds Patrick Perrotte 13 points, 2 rebounds

QSSF final - Game 1

March 2 Concordia Stingers 93

Laval Rouge et Or 90 OT 21 points, 5 rebounds Gavin Musgrave 18 points, 5 rebounds Phil Langlois 17 points, 3 rebounds Dilip Nayar Patrick Perrotte 16 points, 10 rebounds

Women's Basketball (5-10 in QSSF, 0-1 in playoffs, 9-18 overall)

OSSF semifinal

Bishop's Gaiters 66 Feb. 26

Concordia Stingers 59 Pascale Morin 15 points, 2 rebounds 13 points, 10 rebounds M.J. Raposo

Women's Indoor Soccer (5-0-1 in QSSF, 8-2-1 overall)

@ McGill Open Tournament

McGill 1

Concordia 0

Concordia 0

CEGEP Trois-Rivières 0

Playoffs

Preliminary round

Concordia 1

UOTR 0 (Jerusha Osborne, 1 goal)

Ouarterfinal

Concordia 1

Univ. of Vermont 0 (Shannon Ransom, 1 goal)

Semifinal

Concordia 1

Ottawa 0 (Maggie Katz, 1 goal)

Championship

McGill 1

Concordia 0

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